

1. **(Currently Amended)** A hydraulic type plastic tensioner comprising:
a plastic body of said tensioner having a circular hole with a bottom portion;
a metallic cylinder fitted to said circular hole formed in said body of the tensioner;
a metallic plunger having an inner end portion slidably inserted into said cylinder, the front end portion of said plunger being protruded from said body by
a compression spring provided in said cylinder to engage said plunger and urge an outer end of the plunger to protrude from the body;
a pressure oil chamber formed between the inside inner end of said plunger and said cylinder; and
a check valve mechanism that allows the flowing of oil into said pressure oil chamber but blocks the back flow of the oil;
wherein said body of the tensioner is made of plastics; the bottom portion of said circular hole having a through-hole in said plastic body allowing the inflow of oil into said circular hole and into said pressure chamber,
said check valve mechanism comprising a separate metallic ball seat provided on said bottom portion of said circular hole fitted onto and encircling said through-hole, a check ball which can be abutted on said ball seat, a spring to bias said check ball against said ball seat, and a retainer which supports said spring.
2. **(Currently Amended)** The hydraulic type plastic tensioner according to claim 1, wherein said check valve mechanism comprises a ball seat provided on a bottom portion of said circular hole, a check ball biased with a spring which can be abutted on a through-hole formed in said ball seat and a retainer, which supports said spring, and wherein said cylinder is a retainer-integrated type cylinder in which the has a cylinder body and a bottom plate, and said retainer are is integrally formed with said cylinder body, and said retainer of said cylinder is press-fit into onto said ball seat to capture said check ball and spring between said ball seat and said retainer.
3. **(Currently Amended)** The hydraulic type plastic tensioner according to claim 2, wherein said ball seat is fit onto bottom portion of the plastic body circular hole has a cylindrical protruded portion protruding into said pressure chamber, said through-hole being within said protruded portion, raised on the bottom portion of said circular hole, and said retainer is press-fit onto and said ball seat whereby is fitted over said protruded portion, and said cylinder is held in the circular hole by the press fit between said retainer and said ball seat.

4. **(Currently Amended)** The hydraulic type plastic tensioner according to claim 2 1, wherein said ~~ball seat is fit into~~ through-hole is a small-diameter circular hole formed ~~on a lower portion of~~ in the bottom portion of said circular hole, and said separate ball seat is fitted into said small diameter circular hole, and said retainer is press-fit onto said ball seat whereby said cylinder is held in said circular hole.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The ~~hydraulic type plastic~~ tensioner according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, wherein said ~~plastic body of the~~ tensioner includes a backward displacement prevention mechanism for the plunger, comprising ratchet teeth ~~carved~~ on an outer circumferential surface of the plunger, and a pivotaly mounted ratchet body pawl, ~~that is engaged~~ and a spring bias to engage said pawl with said ratchet teeth by ~~a spring bias~~.

6. **(Currently Amended)** The ~~hydraulic type plastic~~ tensioner according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein said cylinder has a bottom plate supporting said retainer, and an O-ring is provided between the bottom portion of said circular hole and the bottom plate of said cylinder.

7. **(New)** The tensioner according to claim 1, wherein said metallic cylinder comprises a one-piece hollow cup-shaped cylinder with a bottom plate having a through-hole in registry with said through-hole in the bottom portion of said circular hole allowing inflow of oil into said pressure chamber, said bottom plate of the one-piece cup-shaped cylinder being shaped to form said retainer with a part spaced above said ball seat, said check ball and spring being retained in the space between the ball seat and the retainer part.